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CONNECTION IN A TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 4-6 in favor of new claims 9-11 as follows:

-- 9. An apparatus in a telecommunications system according to claim 1,
characterised in that,
a pool of filters is connected directly to the station side of a first access node.

10. An apparatus in a telecommunications system according to claim 1,
characterised in that,
a pool of filters is connected in front of at least one line card connector of a second access node.

11. An apparatus in a telecommunication system according to claim 1,
characterised in that,
a management system is provided to process retrieved additional user information whereby the established connection can be adapted according to user specifications.

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REMARKS

By the foregoing amendment, Applicant has cancelled claims 4-6. New claims 9-11 are submitted. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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